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SUBJECT: Sino-US Talks Poland: Press Statement

Ambassador STOESSEL made following statement to press following meeting with Chinese February 20.

1. BEGIN QUOTE. The Chargé d'Affaires of the People's Republic of China, Mr. Lei Yang, and I met for one hour ~~Wednesday~~ today. As in the past, we have both agreed that our discussions and the topics we covered will be held in confidence. The atmosphere in which today's meeting was conducted was businesslike; I believe these conversations have been and will continue to be useful for both our Governments.

2. While no specific date was set for our next meeting, it was agreed we would both be in touch soon on this question. As you will recall, we have mutually agreed

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to alternate between the Chinese and American Embassies in convening these meetings. I was pleased to have had formal today's discussion in the American Embassy for the first time; our next meeting will again take place in the Chinese Embassy. END QUOTE.

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